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# GLENDALE ANNOUNCES SPECIAL GUESTS KURT & BRENDA WARNER FOR COUNTDOWN TO GLENDALE GLITTERS NOVEMBER 27

Glendale Glitters Spectacular Kicks Off State's Largest Free Holiday Light Display

GLENDALE, Ariz. – The city of Glendale is pleased to announce that Kurt and Brenda Warner will be the special guests that will help light up the city during the Countdown to Glendale Glitters Show on Nov. 27 at 5:30 p.m. This year, the event's theme will be 'a few of my favorite holiday things,' and following an entertaining stage show, the Warners will help the Mayor and City Council flip the switch on 1.5 million lights throughout downtown Glendale.

Kurt Warner is best known for his success on the football field as a former NFL quarterback and Super Bowl MVP. After a successful 12-year career, Warner retired from football in 2010 and is an analyst for the NFL Network. Warner is also well known for his work *off* the field, as a philanthropist and a man of faith. He and his wife Brenda, parents to seven children, created the First Things First Foundation in 2001, which serves as a vehicle for them to reach out to the community and share their blessings with those in need. Brenda Warner is a former US Marine, *New York Times* best-selling author, and passionate philanthropist. She has toured the country as a featured speaker for Women of Faith Christian Women's Conference, and shared her unbelievable story with thousands. Warner has shared her vision of a safe and loving home for people with disabilities to create Treasure House.

Treasure House is part of Aspera, a mixed-use master planned campus located along the Loop 101 and 75th Avenue in Glendale. This unique development on 76 acres will include health care services from Banner Health, a senior housing complex and a fitness club. Treasure House, founded by the Warners, along with partners Don and Kim Cardon, is a vocational, recreational, social and educational live-in facility for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities that is expected to be completed in the spring of 2016.

### **Glitters Spectacular Special Guests**

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The "Countdown to Glendale Glitters" begins with festive, holiday entertainment for the 30-minute show, between 5:30 and 6 p.m., featuring local performers including: 76<sup>th</sup> Street, Fiesta Mexicana Dance Company, On Stage Dance Academy and the Arizona Twirling Athletes, with a spectacular fire show to "A Marshmallow Christmas."

The complete lineup of entertainment for both days opening weekend will include:

## Friday, Nov. 27:

5:30 p.m. Countdown to Glendale Glitters Stage Show

6:30 p.m. Fiesta Mexicana Dance Co.

7:15 p.m. Marilyn's Academy of Dance

8:15 p.m. Oasis Dance

9:15 p.m. On Stage Dance

## Saturday, Nov. 28:

5:00 p.m. Academy of Classic Ballet

6:00 p.m. Dance Academy North

7:00 p.m. Central Community Choir

8:00 Take Five Dance Academy

9:00 Peoria Performance Dance

The glittering magic of Glendale's holiday display remains lit nightly through Jan. 9, from 5-11 p.m. each evening. Historic Downtown Glendale is located at 58<sup>th</sup> and Glendale avenues. For more information, call the Special Event Hotline at 623-930-2299 or visit <a href="www.glendaleaz.com/events">www.glendaleaz.com/events</a>.

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